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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EMPLOYEE  
POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for meetings, speaking engagements, fact-finding trips or similar events in connection with official duties. You need not disclose government-funded or political travel on this form, or travel that is unrelated to official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report all privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those persons required to file them. In accordance with clause 5 of House Rule 25, complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within **15 days** after travel is completed. The Clerk is to make these forms publicly available as soon as possible after they are received. *Obtain the dollar amounts from the sponsor; if exact dollar amounts are unavailable, provide a good faith estimate.*

Name of Employee (print or type): Michael Shank

Name of Accompanying Family Member (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Departure and Date of Return: April 22, 2011 - April 30, 2011

Dates at Personal Expense: \_\_\_\_\_

Itinerary (cities of departure – destination – return): Washington DC - Istanbul - Washington DC

Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Council of Turkic American Associations

Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

Please see attached itinerary.

Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify "yes" for each item by checking the corresponding box*):

1. ☒ the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form completed by trip sponsor, including all attachments;
2. ☒ the Privately-Sponsored Travel Approval Form completed by the employee; *and*
3. ☒ the Committee on Ethics letter approving my participation on this trip.

I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda (*signify "yes" by checking box*): ☒

If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

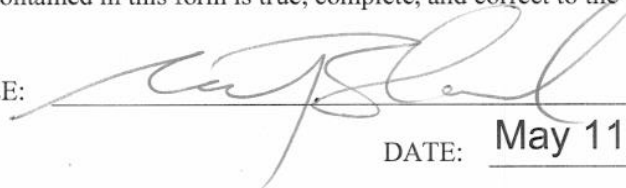
**TRAVEL EXPENSES:**

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses
For employee:	\$1050 air / \$250 ground	\$685	\$315
For accompanying family member:			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Specific Nature of Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For employee:	\$200	Museum tickets, parking
For accompanying family member:		

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE:



DATE: May 11, 2011

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed above were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER:

Rep. Michael M. Honda

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER:



DATE: May 11, 2011

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March 7, 2011

Mr. Michael Shank  
Office of the Honorable Michael Honda  
1713 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Shank:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Turkey scheduled for April 22 to 30, 2011, sponsored by the Council of Turkic American Associations.

You must complete an Employee Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are required to attach a copy of this letter and the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, including all attachments. You must also include a copy of the Traveler Form completed by you and signed by your employing Member. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$335 from a single source on Schedule VII of that statement.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, gifts "of minimal value [currently \$350] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of \$350 received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use. Further, House employees may accept, under the FGDA, gifts of travel benefits from a foreign government, including food, lodging, transportation, and entertainment, within that foreign country. For your proposed trip to Turkey, the gift of travel benefits under the FGDA would include, but are not be limited to, the lunch on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, hosted by the Honorable Suat Kiniklioglu, the breakfast with the Mayor of Ankara on Wednesday, April 27, the lunch with the Mayor of Nevsehir on Thursday, April 28, and the lunch with the Mayor of Uskudar on Friday, April 29. Any travel benefits in excess of \$350 received from a foreign government by you must, within 30 days of acceptance be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments. The FGDA form for tangible gifts or travel benefits must be filed directly with the Standards Committee.

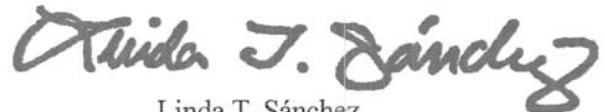
Mr. Michael Shank  
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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

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Jo Bonner  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Linda T. Sanchez". The script is cursive and elegant.

Linda T. Sánchez  
Ranking Member

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U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics

**PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM**  
**For Members, Officers, and Employees**

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Please type form. Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392.*

**YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE.** Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 14 days before the trip commences.

Name of Traveler: MICHAEL SHANK

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For staff, name of employing Member/Committee: U.S. Rep Michael Honda (D-CA)

Office address: 1713 Longworth House Office Building

Phone number: 202.226.9703

Email address of contact person: michael.shank@mail.house.gov

- ☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet and the traveler is a Member traveling to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 14 days before the trip departure date.

**NOTE: You must complete the contact information fields above,** as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee:

Committee on Ethics  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1015 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
(202) 225-7103 (phone)  
(202) 225-7392 (fax)


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**PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM**

1. Name of Traveler: MICHAEL SHANK
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): Council of Turkic American Associations (CTAA)
3. Travel destination(s): Washington DC - Istanbul, Turkey - Washington DC
4. a. Date of Departure and Date of Return: April 22 - April 30, 2011  
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
b. If yes, name of accompanying family member: \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Relationship to traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(c) on the Trip Sponsor form (i.e., the travel is being sponsored by an entity that employs a lobbyist)? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
b. If yes, check one of the following: ☐ N/A – Sponsor checked 9(a) or 9(b)  
(1) Approval for one-night's lodging and meals is being requested: ☐ or  
(2) Approval for two-nights' lodging and meals is being requested: ☐  
If "(2)" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments (indicate that form is attached by checking box): ☒
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to your individual official or representational duties:  
As Senior Policy Advisor to Congressman Honda, I am going to gain an understanding of topics related to US-Turkey  
relations, including foreign policy, trade relations, economic development, education, religious diversity and minority rights.
9. **FOR STAFF:**  
**TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 02/17/11



Signature of Employing Member

**NOTE:** This page must be submitted with your post-travel disclosure form within 15 days of your return, so you should maintain a photocopy of the completed form for your records.

U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics

**PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM**  
(provide directly to each House invitee)

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers or employees under House Rule XXV, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee.

*Private sponsors are urged to submit this form to each House invitee at least 30 days before travel is scheduled to begin. The failure to provide the Committee with adequate time to review the form and attachments may result in the invitee not receiving approval for the trip. The submission of an incomplete form will delay the review process. Before completing this form, sponsors are urged to carefully review the Committee's private travel guidelines and advisory memoranda detailing the rules and restrictions for private travel, as well as the instructions for completing this form. Sponsors should call the Committee with any questions prior to submitting the form. Please type form.*

1. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): Council of Turkic American Associations (CTAA)
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a federally-registered lobbyist or a registered foreign agent (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
3. I represent that the trip sponsor(s) has not accepted from any other source funds earmarked directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
4. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
5. Provide names and titles of ALL House invitees; for each invitee, provide explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED LIST.
6. Dates of travel: APRIL 22ND - APRIL 30TH, 2011
7. Cities of departure – destination – return: WASHINGTON DC-ISTANBUL-WASHINGTON DC
8. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities taking place during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities) (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
9. I represent that (check one of the following):
  - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ or
  - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist or registered foreign agent: ☒ or
  - c. The trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
10. If travel is for participation in a one-day event (i.e., if you checked Question 9(c)), check one of the following:
  - a. One-night's lodging and meals are being offered: ☐ or
  - b. Two-nights' lodging and meals are being offered: ☐If "b" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_

11. If the trip is not sponsored by an institution of higher education, I represent that a federally-registered lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
12. Private sponsors must have a direct and immediate relationship to the purpose of the trip or location being visited. Describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip: To introduce and provide broad expolarion  
of Turkish political, cultural, social, economic and educational issues to gain an understanding of topics including foreign policy, trade, economic development,  
educational achievements of civil society, religious diversity, and minority rights.
13. Describe each sponsor's organizational interest in the purpose of the trip: \_\_\_\_\_  
CTAA desires to promote understanding through dialogue and discussion among the Congressional Staff and  
Turkish authorities.
14. Describe the type and class of the transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first-class transportation will be provided. In addition, for travel via aircraft, please indicate if travel is being offered on a commercial flight, chartered flight or on an aircraft operated or paid for by a carrier not licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration to operate for compensation or hire (i.e., a private aircraft). If first-class fare is being provided, or if travel is via chartered or private aircraft, please provide an explanation describing why such travel is warranted: AIR TRAVEL, COMMERCIAL, COACH CLASS
15. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
16. I represent that either (check one of the following):  
a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ or  
b. The trip involves events that are arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation: ☐  
If "b" is checked, detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \$45 PER DAY
17. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: Turkey is a significant country for US in relations of political,  
commercial, and cultural interests of both countries in Middle East, Central Asia, and Europe.
18. Name of hotel or other lodging facility: Ramada Istanbul Old City, Aktif Metropolitan, Dedeman Nevsehir
19. Cost per night of hotel or other lodging facility (approximate cost may be provided): Ramada Istanbul \$100  
Aktif Metropolitan \$95, Dedeman Nevsehir \$95
20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility: Convenient and Reasonable




21. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$1100 Air, / \$250 Ground	\$685	\$315
For each accompanying family member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$200	Museum Tickets, Parking
For each accompanying family member		

22. I represent that reimbursement for miscellaneous travel expenses for the trip, such as travel to and from airports, security costs, interpreter fees, visa application fees, and similar expenses, will be for actual costs incurred and are necessary for the purpose of the trip (signify "yes" by checking box): ☐
23. I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name and title: Furkan Kosar

Organization: Council of Turkic American Associations

Address: 535 5th Avenue 6th Floor Suite #601 New York, NY 10017

Telephone number: 212.867.7567 Fax: 646.490.2212

Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: fkosar@turkiccouncil.org

The Committee staff may contact the above individual above if additional information is required.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
HT-2, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515  
(202) 225-7103 (phone)  
(202) 225-7392 (general fax)  
(202) 226-7172 (fax for travel approvals)

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COUNCIL OF TURKIC AMERICAN ASSOCIATIONS

INTERCULTURAL TRIP O TURKEY

APRIL 22 - APRIL 30, 2011

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### *ITINERARY*

FRIDAY, APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup> (Washington, DC)

- 9:00 am Departure from US (Turkish Airlines TK 002)

SATURDAY, APRIL 23<sup>rd</sup> (Istanbul)

- 12:55pm Arrive in Istanbul
- 2:00pm Check in Hotel & Rest for ~ 2 hr - Hotel Ramada Istanbul Old City
- 4:00pm Downtown Tour
- 6:00pm Boat Tour up the Bosphorus
- 8:00pm Dinner at Pirpirim Restaurant
- Return to Hotel

SUNDAY, APRIL 24<sup>th</sup> (Istanbul)

- 8:00am Breakfast at hotel
- 9:00am Visit Hagia Sophia & Blue Mosque
- 12:30pm Lunch at the Sultanahmet Kofte Restaurant
- 2:00pm Visit Topkapi Palace
- 4:00 Travel to Istanbul Princes Islands
- 7:30pm Dinner on the Island
- 9:00pm Return to Hotel

MONDAY, APRIL 25<sup>th</sup> (Istanbul)

- 8:00am Breakfast at Hotel
- 9:30am Visit Today's Zaman Newspaper meet with Abdulhamit Bilici head of the Cihan

NewsAgency([http://todayszaman.com/tz-web/http://www.cihanmedya.com/media\\_services](http://todayszaman.com/tz-web/http://www.cihanmedya.com/media_services))

- 11:30am Visit Zulfaris Jewish Museum (Jewish Museum of Turkey (officially Quincentennial Foundation Museum of Turkish Jews) is a cultural center established by the Quincentennial Foundation to inform the society of the traditions and history of Turkish Jewry)
- 1:30pm Lunch with Mustafa Akyol, Columnist - Star Newspaper and Turkish Daily News
- 3:30pm Visit TUSKON (Confederation of Businessmen and Industrialists of Turkey)  
TUSKON is operating as the top organization of associations of businessmen that are serving to make contributions for economic and social development of Turkey. TUSKON, formed by 7 different regional business federations throughout the country, was established in 2005 in Istanbul. There are 151 associations of businessmen within TUSKON, which are operating in 80 different provinces of Turkey. TUSKON represents 15,000 business people.
- 5:30pm Return back to Hotel to change clothes
- 6:30pm Dinner at a local family
- 9:00pm Return to Hotel

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 26<sup>th</sup> (Ankara)

- 7:10am Flight to Ankara (Turkish Airlines - TK 122)
- 8:30am Check in Hotel - Aktif Metropolitan Hotel
- 9:00am Breakfast at Hotel & Rest for ~ 2 hr
- 11:00am Grand National Assembly of Turkey Tour
- 12:30 Lunch with Hon. Suat Kiniklioglu, MP, AK Party (Justice and Development Party), Spokesman of the Foreign Affairs Committee
- 2:00pm Visit Hon. Sezgin Tanrikulu, MP, CHP (Republican People's Party)
- 3:00pm Visit Hon. Ahmet Kenan Tanrikulu, MP, MHP (Nationalist Movement Party)
- 4:00pm Visit Anitkabir, Mausoleum of Kemal Ataturk,
- 6:00pm Dinner at Samanyolu College Meet with Local Students ([www.samanyolu.k12.tr](http://www.samanyolu.k12.tr))
- 8:00pm Return to hotel

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27<sup>th</sup> (Ankara)

- 9:00am Breakfast with Melih Gokcek, Mayor of Ankara or a local Mayor
- 10:30am Visit James F. Jeffrey, US Ambassador to Turkey
- 12:00pm Visit International Strategic Research Organization(ISRO) and meet Sedat Laciner. "ISRO was established in 2004, the International Strategic Research Organization (ISRO -USAK) has gained wide ecognition as the Turkey's foremost source of independent and balanced information and research on a broad range of issues affecting Turkey and its region"
- 1:30pm Lunch at Fatih University Hospital ([www.fatihmed.edu.tr](http://www.fatihmed.edu.tr))
- 3:00pm Visit Nursuna Memecan, MP, AK Party
- 4:30pm Visit Hon. Ahmet Davutoglu, Minister of Foreign Affairs \
- 6:30pm Dinner at Kale Washington Restaurant
- 9pm Return to Hotel

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> (Nevsehir)

- 7:30 Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:30am Bus trip to Nevsehir
- 12:30pm Lunch with Hasan Unver Mayor of Nevsehir
- 2:00 pm Visit M. Asim Hacimustafaoğlu Governor of Nevsehir
- 3:30pm Visit Cappadocia and Underground Museum
- 5:00pm Visit A Local Business Owner's Store (A member of GESIAD)
- 6:30pm Dinner with Local Business Chamber Organization (GESIAD) ([www.nevsehirgesiad.org.tr](http://www.nevsehirgesiad.org.tr))
- 9:00pm Return to Hotel Dedeman Hotel, Nevsehir

FRIDAY, APRIL 29<sup>th</sup> (Istanbul)

- 6:30am Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:10am Flight back to Istanbul (Pegasus Airlines - PC 163)
- 10:00am Visit Kimse Yok Mu Foundation - [www.kimseyokmu.org.tr/Default.aspx?hl=en](http://www.kimseyokmu.org.tr/Default.aspx?hl=en)
- 11:30am Visit Journalists and Authors Foundation - [www.gyv.org.tr/index.php/main/index](http://www.gyv.org.tr/index.php/main/index)
- 1:00pm Lunch with Mustafa Kara, Mayor of Uskudar
- 3:00pm Visit Grand bazaar
- 6:00pm Dinner at a local family
- 9:00pm Return to Hotel

SATURDAY, APRIL 30<sup>th</sup> (Washington, D.C.)

- 9:00 am Early Flight back to US (Turkish Airlines TK 001)

\*In case of any inconvenience, the best substitutes will be visited in place of the honorable hosts.

## LIST OF INVITEES

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- 11:00 am Arrive in Istanbul
- 12:00 pm Check-in Hotel Princess Ortakoy
- 2:00 pm Lunch at Turkuhouse Restaurant
- 3:30 pm Miniaturk (models)
- 6:00 pm Boat Tour up the Bosphorus
- 8:00 pm Dinner at Fasuli Restaurant
- Return to Hotel

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 24<sup>th</sup> (Istanbul)**

- 09:00 am Topkapı Palace
- 11:00 am Blue Mosque
- 1:00pm Lunch at Muradan
- 2:00pm Hagia Sophia Museum
- 3:00pm Basilica Cistern
- (Freetime)
- 5:30pm Dinner with Businessmen Fatih Erdem (Questions and answers)
- 9:30pm Return to Hotel

#### **MONDAY, APRIL 25<sup>th</sup> (Istanbul)**

- 8:00am Breakfast at Hotel
- 9:00am Visit TUSKON (Federation of Businessmen Associations)
- 10:30am Hakan Altınay, Brookings Institute & Open Society Institute
- 12:30pm Lunch with Columnist - Today's Zaman Newspaper
- 3:00pm Investment Support and Promotion Agency

- 5:30pm (freetime)
- 6:30pm Dinner at a local family
- 9:00pm Return to Hotel

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- 11:00am Hon. Zeynep Dagi, MP, AK Party (Justice and Development Party)
- 12:30 Grand National Assembly of Turkey Tour with Hon. Zeynep Dagi
- 01:00pm Lunch at Balabankara
- 2:30pm Visit Hon. Sezgin Tanrikulu, MP, CHP (Republican People's Party), Talks on CHP
- 4:00pm Visit Turkish Bar Associations
- (freetime)
- 8:00pm Dinner at Hacibaba
- 10:00pm Return to hotel

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- 10:30am Visit US Embassy in Ankara
- 12:30pm Lunch at Fatih University Hospital ([www.fatihmed.edu.tr](http://www.fatihmed.edu.tr))
- 1:30pm Meet Fatih University Hospital Vice President
- 3:00pm Visit Atatürk Masoleum
- 4:00pm Visit Foreign Ministry, Sedat Ahsen, Head of Department on relations with US
- 6:30pm (freetime)
- 8:00pm Dinner with Hon. Mehmet Sahin, congressman AK Party, at Kale Washington restaurant
- 10:00pm Return to Hotel

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> (Nevsehir)**

- 7:30 Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:30am Bus trip to Nevsehir
- (due to breakdown of the bus, road trip delayed for approximately two hours)
- 2:30pm Lunch with Hasan Unver Mayor of Nevsehir, Talks on Tourism in Turkey
- 4:30 pm (Freetime)
- 6:00pm Visit A Local Business Owner's Store (A member of GESIAD), talks on Turkish Business export and import strategies and values.
- 8:00pm Dinner with Local Business Chamber Organization (GESIAD) ([www.nevsehirgesiad.org.tr](http://www.nevsehirgesiad.org.tr))
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- 1:00pm (freetime for shopping)
- 4:00pm Visit Journalists and Authors Foundation, Talks on media in Turkey
- 6:00pm Dinner with Vice President of Kimse Yok Mu, relief foundation, at Çömlek restaurant

- 9:00pm Return to Hotel - Golden Hill Hotel

**SATURDAY, APRIL 30th (Washington, DC)**

- 9:00 am Early Flight back to US (Turkish Airlines TK 001)